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Always...

He  
blended  
into a  
crowd.

He was  
always  
watching  
me.





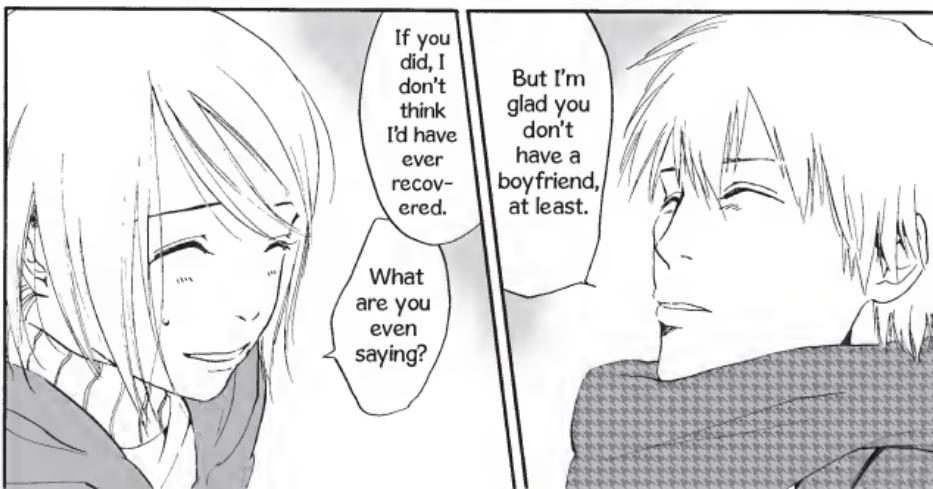
keep on  
happening?

Line 1  
Dark Side

SHIOMI  
S  
白高  
木高  
貴高  
How  
much  
longer  
will  
these  
"Vampire  
Murders"





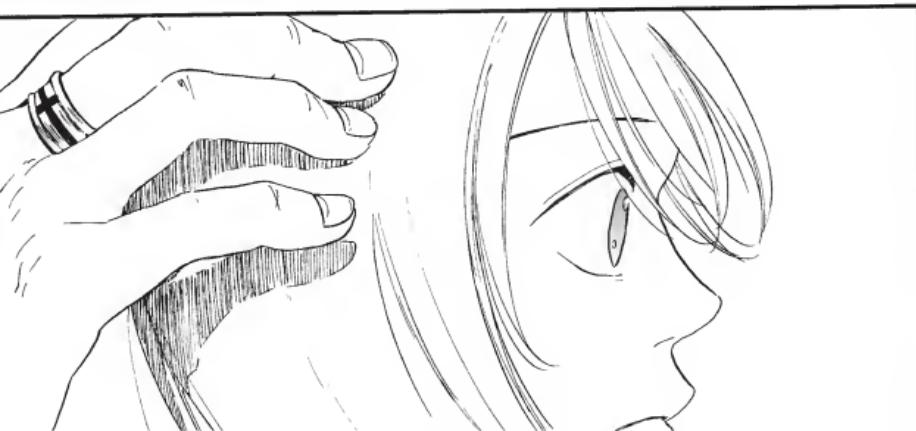
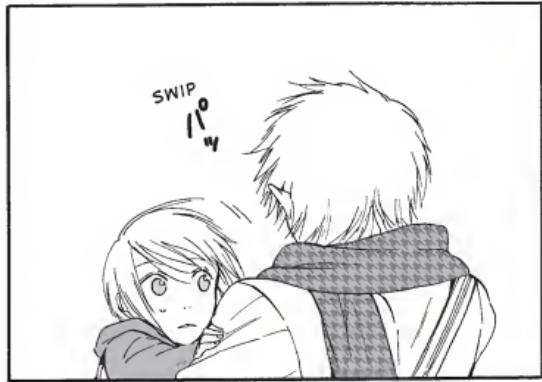












Hey,  
vampire.





Huh?

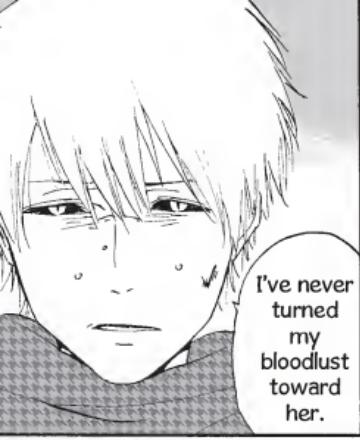
Is a guy's  
blood not  
enough  
for you?

D  
R  
I  
P



I'm not  
interested  
in drinking  
her blood

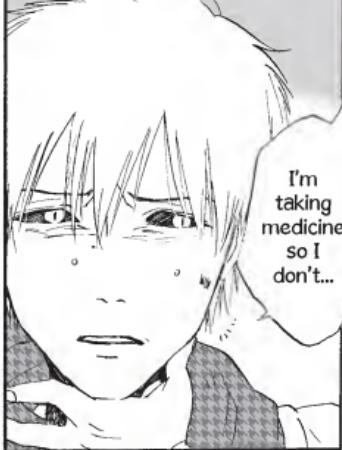
...  
Leave  
us  
alone.











why'd I  
have to  
kill some  
other  
girl?

It really  
is weird.  
To save  
Tsukasa,

Or should  
I have  
killed  
Tsukasa  
to save  
the other  
girls?

Well, all  
human  
lives are  
equal,

but  
not all  
humans  
are  
equally  
important.

Or maybe  
I should've  
been the  
one to  
die...

You can't  
protect  
everyone!





Sawazaki,  
F Squad.  
Patrolling  
nearby. ETA:  
3 minutes!

*He was  
always...*

Subject A  
has been  
secured in  
Shiomi 2-16.

This is  
Anzai  
from F  
Squad.

At least stay put for 3—

KLIK

What ?!

I tranqed

Sorry, I've got urgent business. Can you bring him in for me, Sawazaki?

Thank you...

Anzai.

Honestly. Why do I even bother with this stuff...

Hey...

301, right?

CLAN

While you're at it, forget what happened today.

Forget my name...

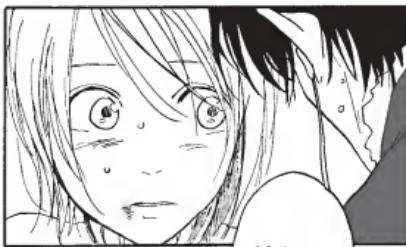






Nn...

SLKK







All  
of your  
friend's  
patience  
was nearly  
for naught.

Which is  
why my  
bloodlust is  
supposed to  
be weak, but  
apparently  
not.

Half...

Huh  
...?

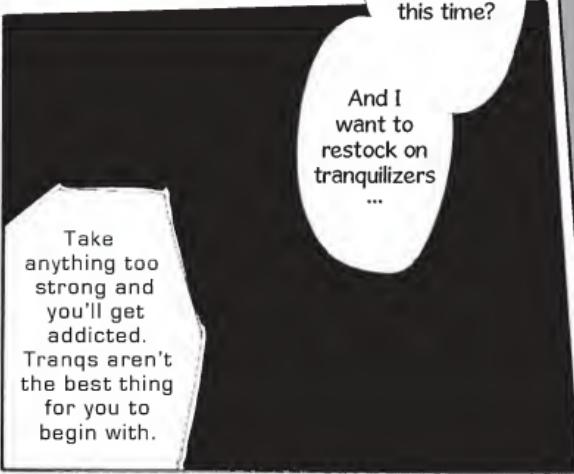
Well,  
cheer  
up.

SHFF  
X!!  
w

Guys are  
a dime a  
dozen.



Can you  
give me  
something  
stronger  
this time?



And I  
want to  
restock on  
tranquilizers  
...

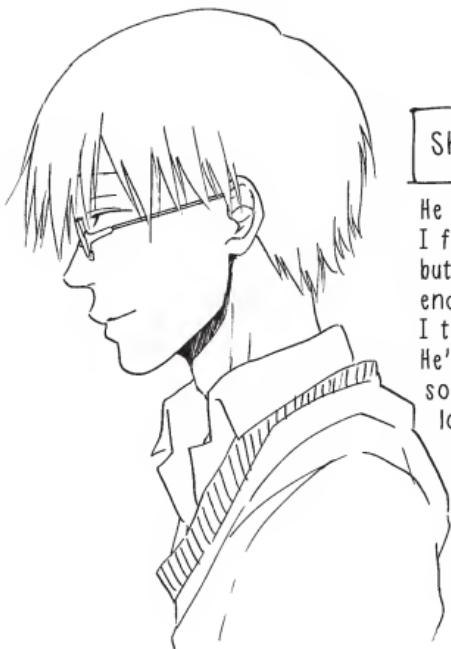






Akimura.





Shouta Akimura

He wore glasses when I first thought him up, but at some point, he ended up losing the glasses. I think he's nearsighted. He's in love with Tsukasa, so maybe he wanted to look more attractive and decided to wear contacts instead.





disappear  
The bags  
when you  
under  
lick my  
your  
blood.  
eyes

Huh?  
They do?

Ah.



Then I'll  
have to  
make  
you  
bleed  
more  
for me.

What...



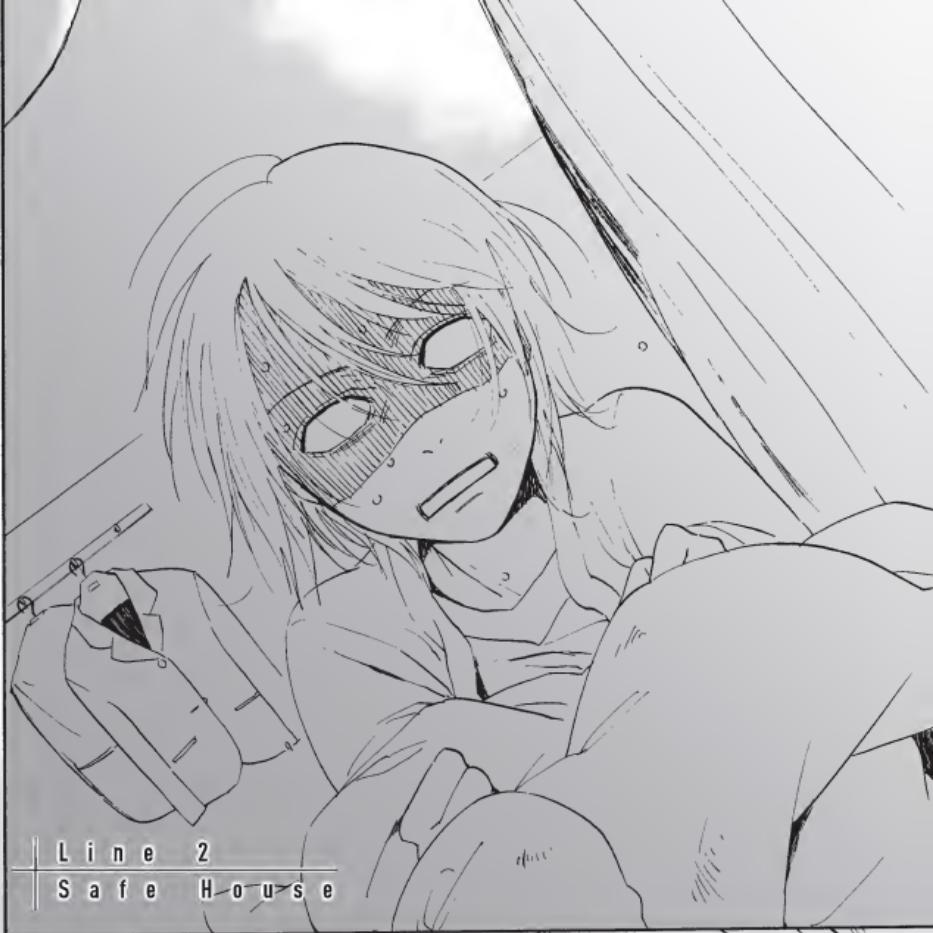
I slipped  
my tongue  
in again.



If you  
get  
hurt  
and  
bleed...



I'll come  
lick it  
off for  
you.



Line 2  
Safe House





I haven't seen any sign of "Anzai" since then, either...



Is it because he's a vampire that his arrest wasn't on the news?

I kind of feel like the whole thing was a dream.

Oh! No, not like that! I meant you're his pet student! Don't overthink it!!

Mr. Ochiai  
33 years old  
1 kid

What do you mean, h-he loves me?! Mr. Ochiai's married...

Ochiai usually never calls on you! He totally loves you, too.

What if it was all in my head?

You get so scared when people like you.  
Like with Akimura. Such a waste!

What's  
that  
supposed  
to mean...

Scared  
...?

It's  
totally  
not love,  
right?

Akimura  
...

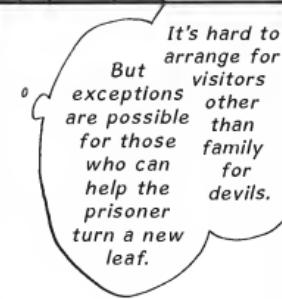
Honestly,  
that was  
basically  
my first  
kiss.

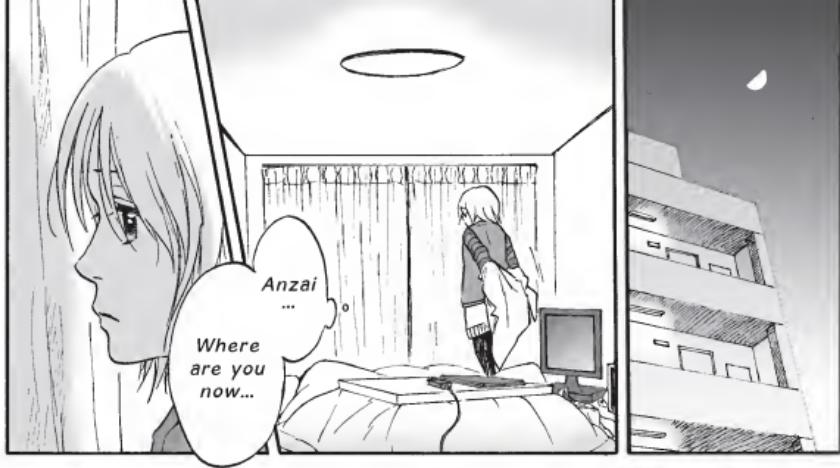
I mean,  
have I ever  
really liked  
anyone  
before?

SHFF

I  
mean  
...  
Maybe  
I'm thinking  
about Anzai  
because he  
happened to  
be the one  
to kiss me.

How  
stupid.







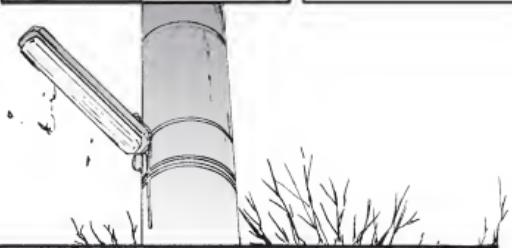




H...

He...

He  
smiled...!

















*Yuuko  
Tamaru.*

*She  
was a  
quiet,  
kind  
“devil.”*

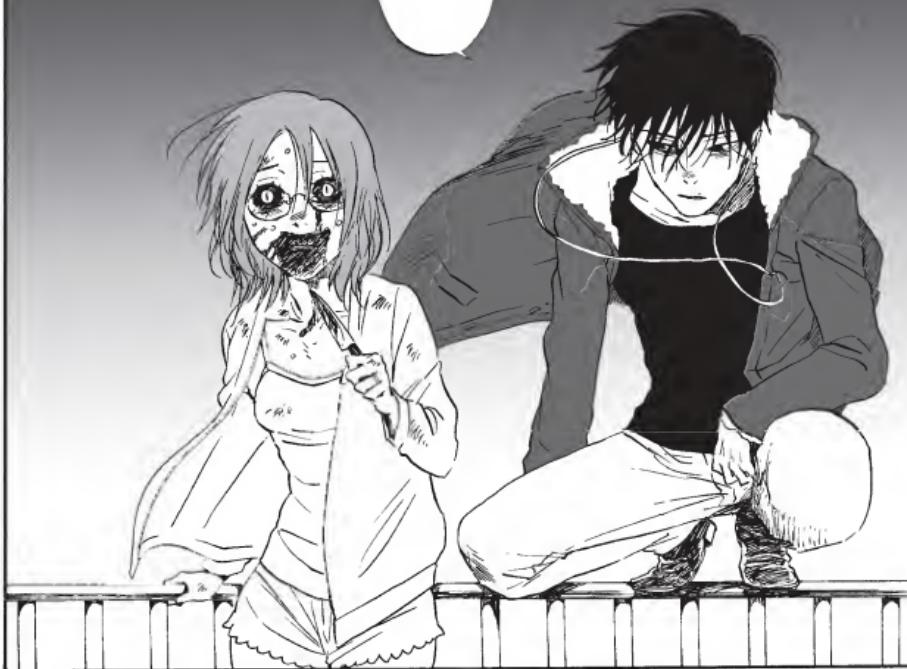
*Even  
though no  
matter  
how kind  
you are,  
you’re  
still a  
“devil”?*

*Did she  
marry a  
human  
because  
she  
was so  
gentle?*





YUUKO.



Right now,

Well, he  
might be  
in trouble  
without  
it...

I  
brought  
it.



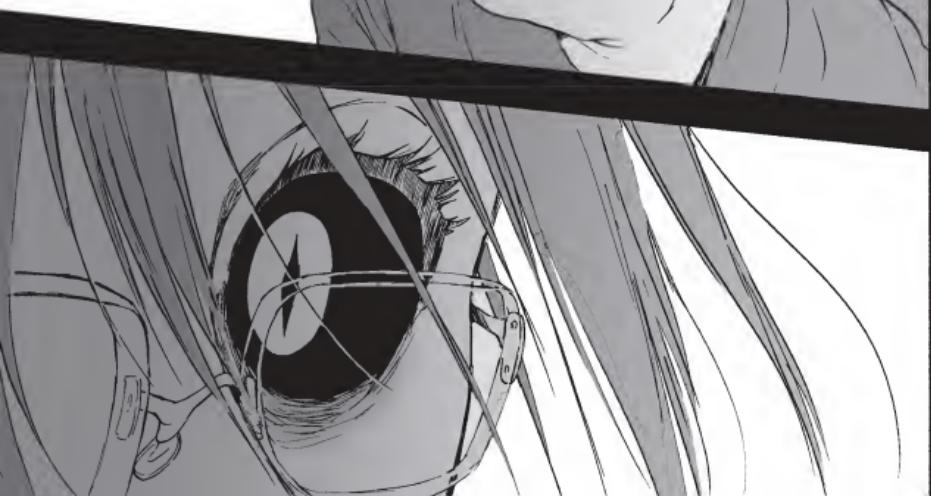
is there  
someone  
you'd do  
anything to  
protect?







Lick  
it off  
...?









But  
devils and  
people are  
basically  
the same.  
So...

I get it,  
I get it.  
Quit it  
already.

I don't  
handle  
blood  
well.





Says he  
wants to  
talk to his  
wife, Yuuko.  
Put me on  
speaker  
and let her  
hear.



Officer  
Lloyd  
here.  
  
Makoto  
Tamaru  
has  
regained  
conscious-  
ness.



I just  
suddenly  
thought  
it'd make  
you happy.  
  
I'm  
really  
an idiot,  
huh...



CHIK  
Yuuko...  
I'm  
sorry...

I had  
promised  
to never  
show you  
blood.



Yuuko,  
please.  
Please  
come  
home.

I won't  
make  
you go  
through  
that  
again.

I'll...  
I'll be  
more  
careful.



After fleeing for 5 hours,  
the target, suspected of  
assault, was apprehended  
on the roof of the Shiomis Sanyo  
building by Squad F.

Dec. 3, 23:35 Yuuko Tamaru

Well  
...

Present on the scene:  
Senior Officer Sawazaki,  
Officer Anzai.

Why did  
I lecture  
her like  
that? It's  
not like  
me.

Just 'cause  
she has a  
kotatsu,  
my body  
brought  
me here...?  
No, that's  
absurd.

So...

why did  
I come  
right back  
here?

Cold...

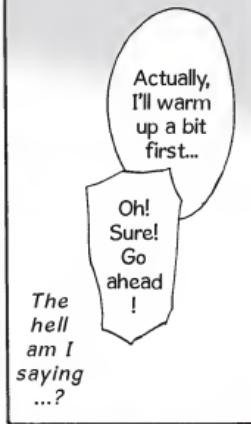
KA CHAK!

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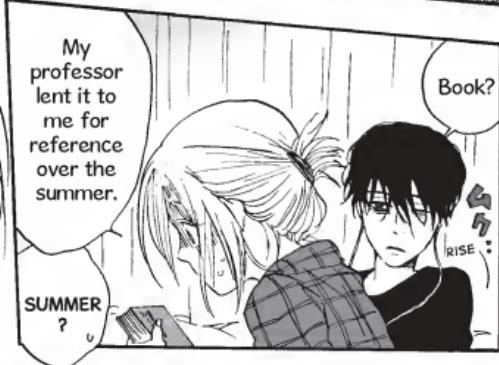
Don't get  
hurt...

in front  
of me...  
again...











Line 3  
Merry Christmas





I don't  
really get  
what the  
higher-ups  
are going  
for.

Take that  
devil-human  
couple.

They  
even wrote a  
prenup saying  
they wouldn't  
have sex, and  
look how that  
turned out.

Telling  
them  
not to do  
it is  
pointless.

Adrenaline  
makes the  
devils  
transform...  
So sex is a  
no-go.

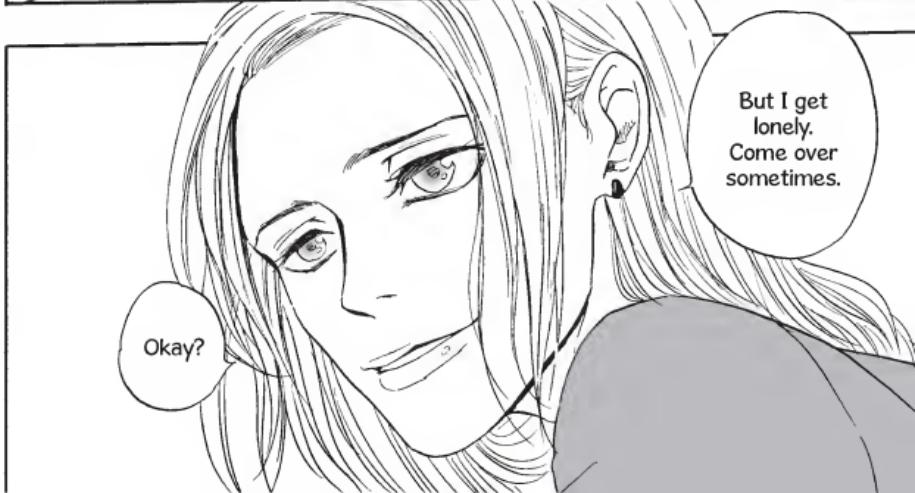
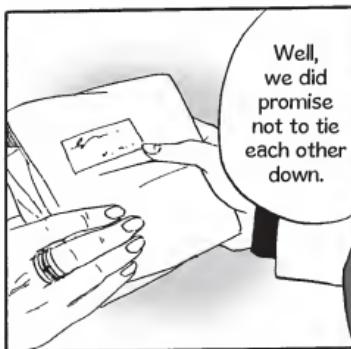




But someone's gotta tranq the devil if they transform...

So now it's, "screw under supervision so if you transform they can intervene"?

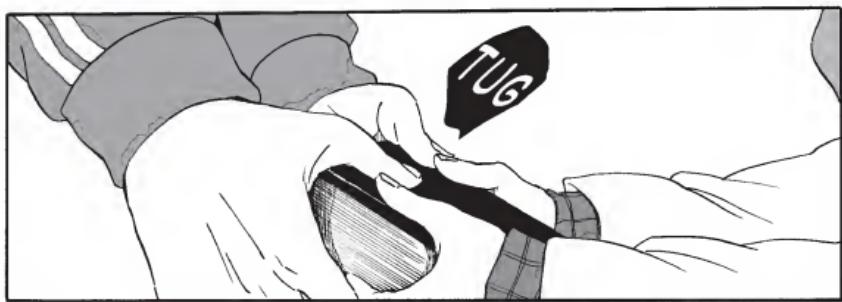








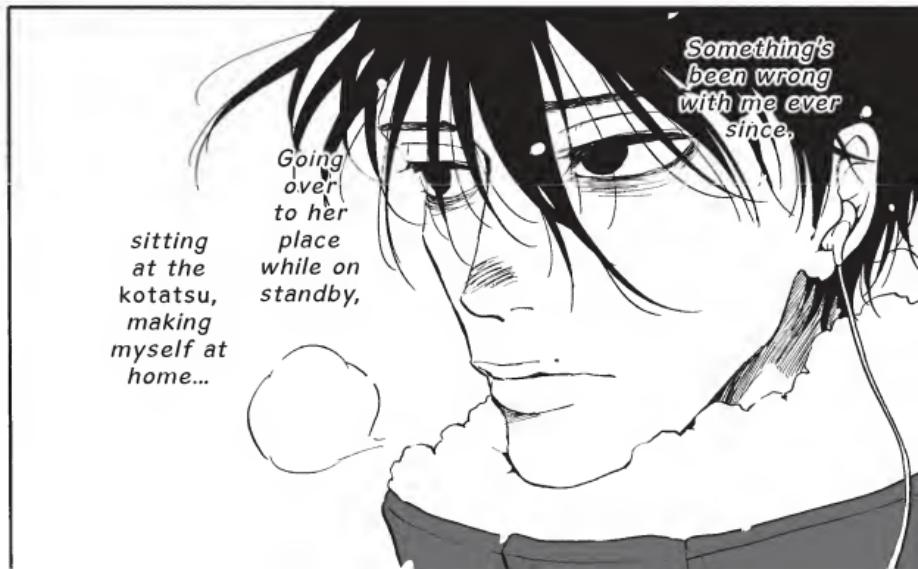
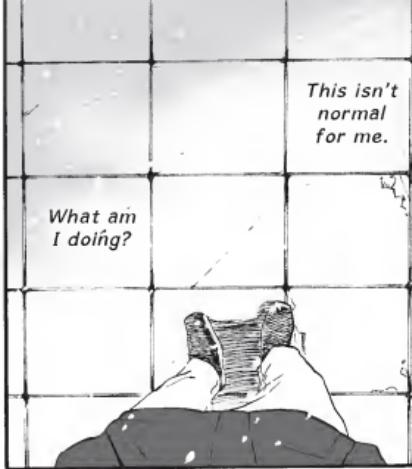




KISS









like that first time...





Not  
hitting  
me  
directly  
with  
that

are  
you  
doing  
?

What  
...



















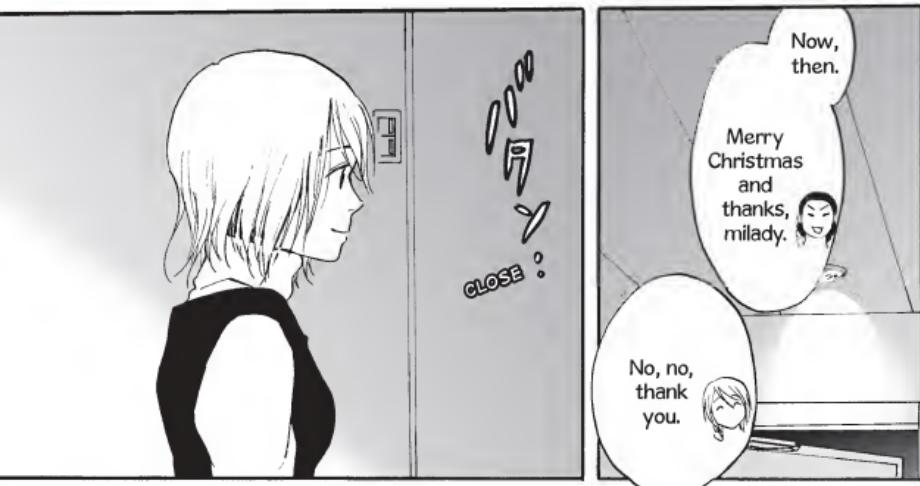
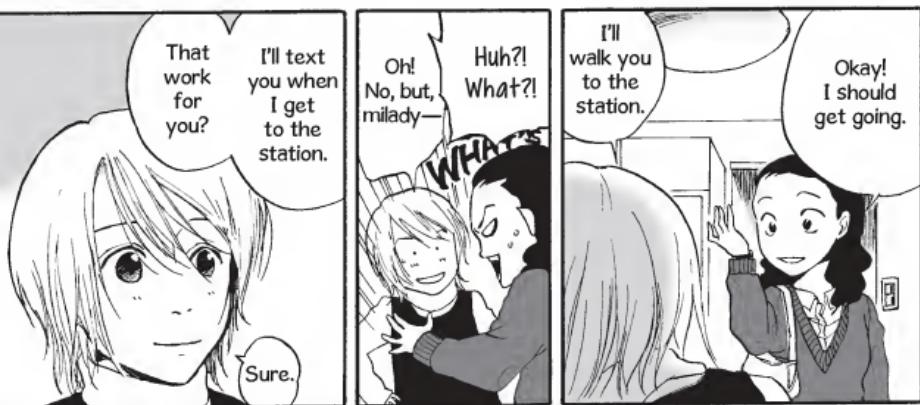
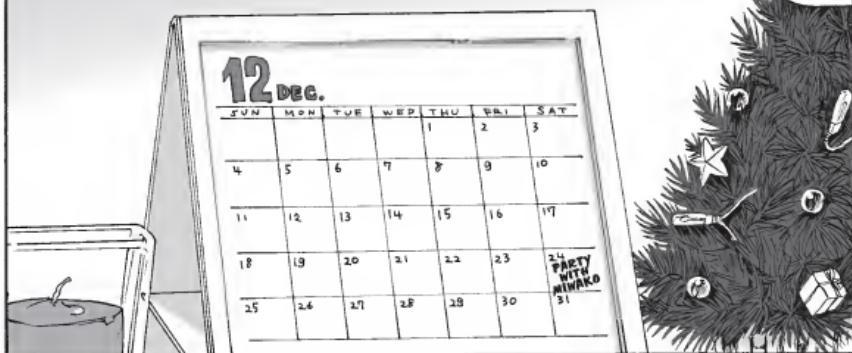
My  
mind is  
hazy...



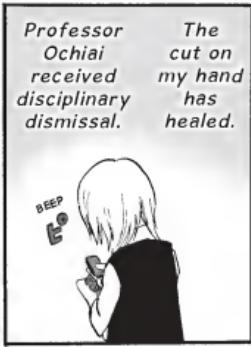


*The  
devil  
has  
taken  
control.*



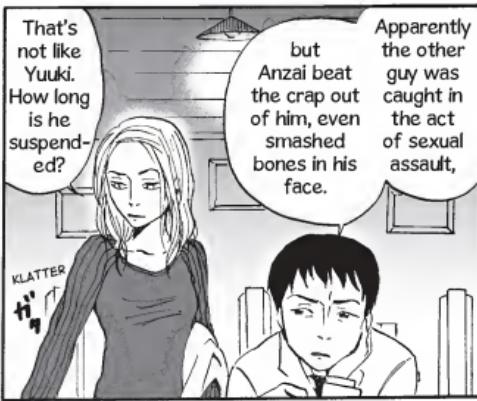






What if Anzai never comes back?





Devils  
and  
humans  
are free  
to love  
who they  
want,  
but...

Which  
is why  
I'm  
wondering  
...

Why  
would that  
Anzai get so  
worked up  
like that?

Or  
maybe  
she's  
gone  
out...

She  
might  
already  
be  
asleep.

That's  
been his  
creed  
for years  
now.

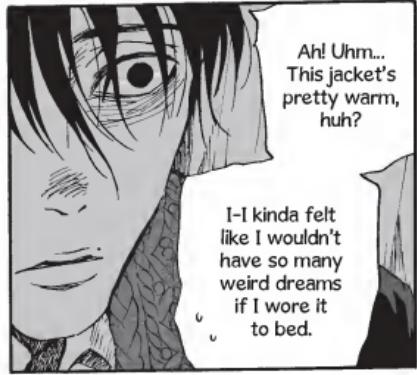
"Devils  
and  
humans  
should  
live  
apart."



Why







I-I kinda felt  
like I wouldn't  
have so many  
weird dreams  
if I wore it  
to bed.



Sorry.



*while  
pretending  
to be a  
hero of  
justice.*

Yeah...  
When?

Still  
want  
to?

We  
didn't get  
to do the  
hot-pot.

I'll  
give you  
something,  
too.  
A  
present.

Anytime.

*I  
carry  
this  
horrible  
devil  
inside  
me,*

*I'm  
filthy.*









This just in:



A man who worked in the same restaurant has gone missing.

A waitress at a Hazama-cho restaurant was found stabbed to death.

And Sakaki's hosting his usual New Year's Eve party at the bar.

Almost time for your physical.

I want to see you in the New Year.

The police believe he may have information about the situation....

It's Yanagi.  
How've you been?



but you  
singletons  
should  
make an  
appearance.

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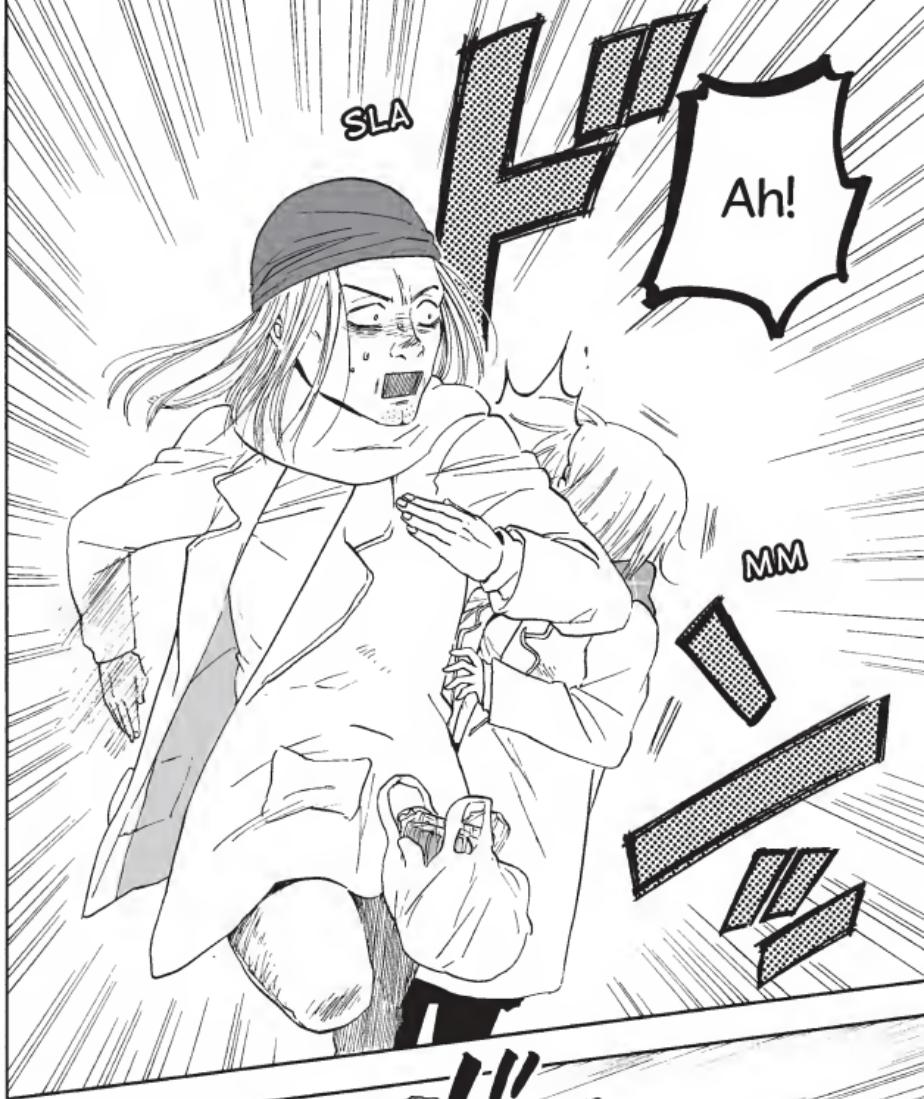
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I got a wife  
and kids,  
so I can't go.

Go  
check it  
out if  
you feel  
like it.

Line 4  
Paradox









Are you really okay...?

Yes.

It's not a cold. I'm fine...

Oh! Snow.

Oh, but your face is kinda...

What ...?!  
Not at all! Why?!

I got it.

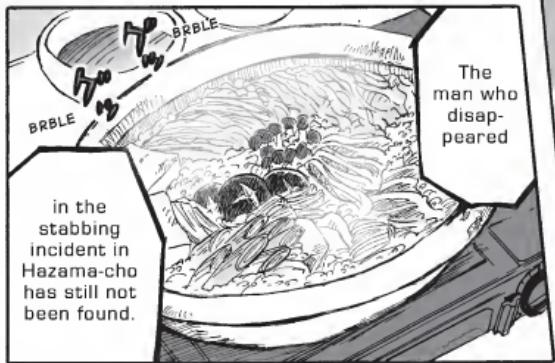
I see.

Let me carry some ...

It'd be nice if it didn't melt.

*It doesn't snow that much in Tokyo.*

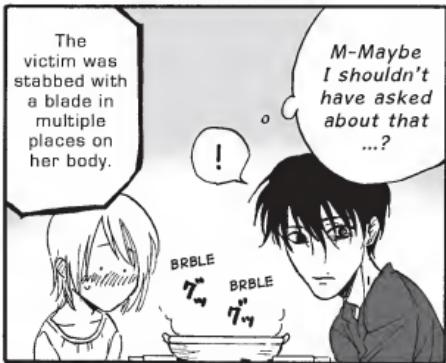
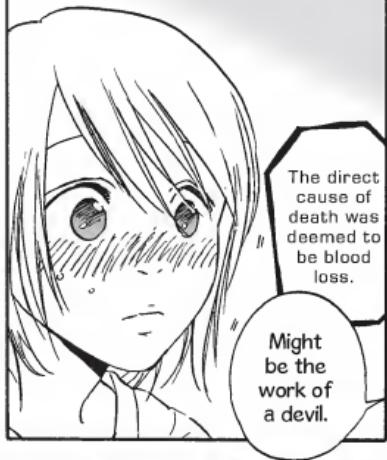
If it doesn't, it's a pain. Shoveling and stuff.

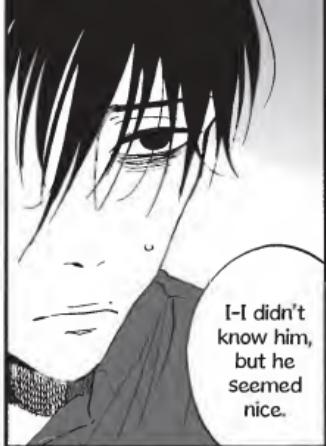


What is this...?

I just felt like I was on the verge of remembering something...











ZHFF...



Me...  
MEOW

and  
snow is  
expected  
to accu-  
mulate in  
Tokyo.

From  
tonight until  
tomorrow  
morning,  
temperatures  
will drop.

ZHFF



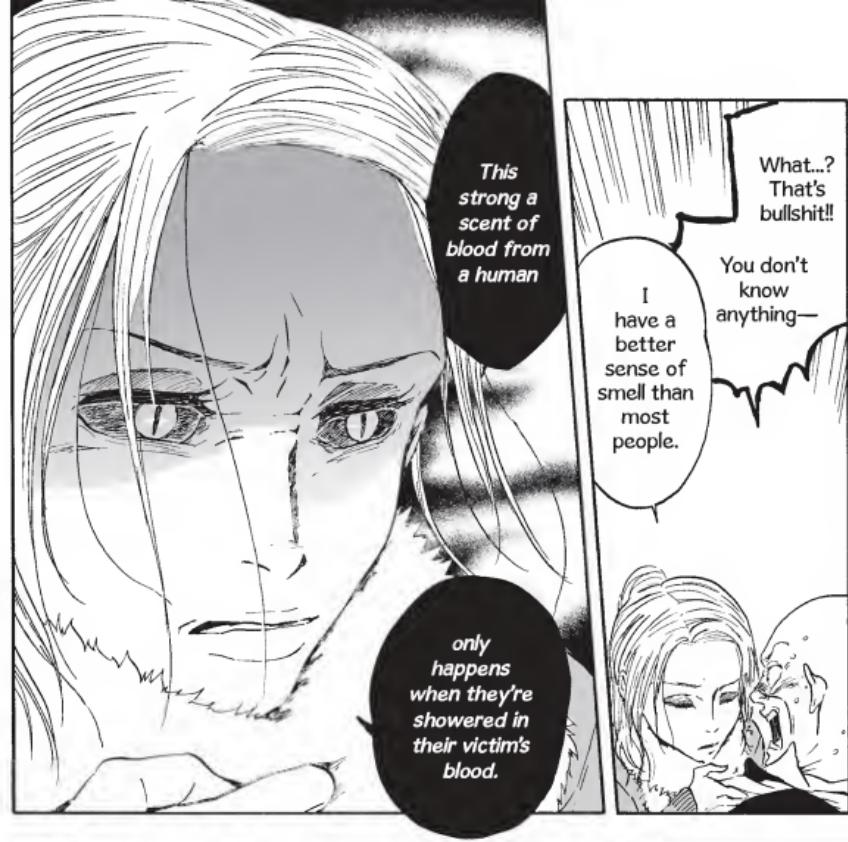
WOO

WEE

WEE</

















*Minami,  
as long  
as I've  
got you  
on my  
side...*

*The  
victim  
was a  
nice  
girl...*

*She  
was the  
only one in  
that place  
who treated  
me like a  
human  
being...*

*I won't  
become a  
devil...*

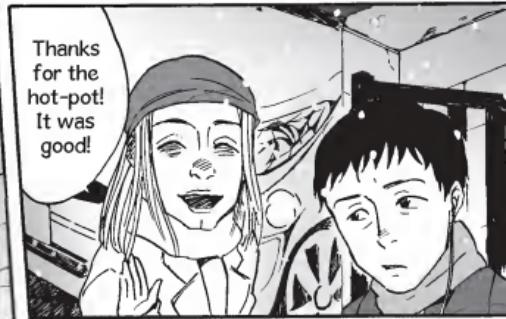


*I would  
take a  
man's life  
by drinking  
their blood.*

*This  
just in:*

*But to  
tell the  
truth,  
Minami...*

*if it  
was  
for  
you...*









That was...  
just that!  
She's just  
mouthing  
off!

That  
thing  
she  
said?!  
About  
going  
to her  
place?!

S-Sorry...  
It's  
nothing...

Wha  
?!

Wh-Why  
are you  
crying?!

100

BWA  
HA  
HA  
HO

For  
real  
?

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Even though I'm totally not good enough for Anzai...

This is what always happens in my dreams.

I really am pathetic.

I've had this dream

so many times.









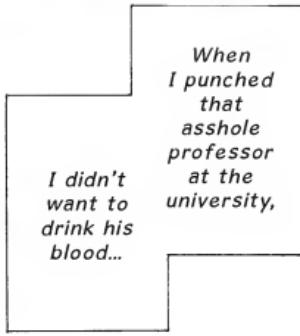
Come  
with  
me...?



7!  
8!



9!  
10...!











which means the dead guy's not human either?

Listen, at least be nice and ask if I'm okay first...

HRRK

Aah, there, there.





Line 5  
Head Shot







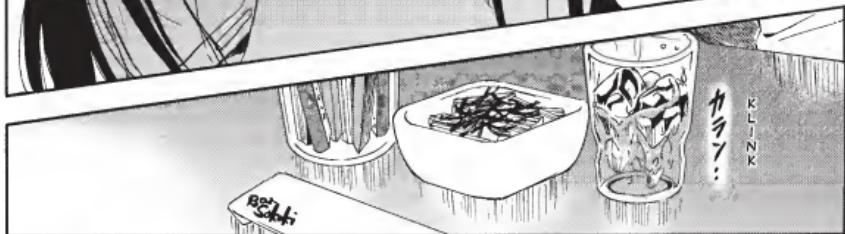


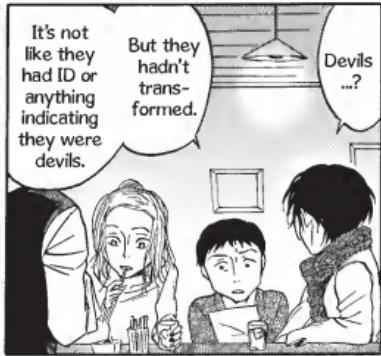






Yes.











shouldn't get so easily swept into drug addiction after an accidental taste of blood.

Still, a straight-edge guy who's made it to this age without transforming

He used them all on himself, right? That's way too fast.

Already down to just one?

! I've still got one left...



Tomorrow, then!  
Tomorrow, 10 a.m. sharp!!

Today ?!

Today's no good. Tomorrow.

This is for Hey, your own Anzai good ! When're you coming in? Answer me now, bastard!

There's the former punk...

*He needs  
counseling.*

*But I'd  
rather not  
report this  
to the  
higher-ups.*

Ah! Maybe  
you could  
screw your  
girlfriend  
with Yanagi  
watching?

So  
there'll  
be fewer  
pure-  
blooded  
devils.

And  
now sex  
between  
humans  
and devils  
is legal.

A  
threat-  
ened or  
endangered  
species.

That's the  
percentage  
of the  
domestic  
population...  
About  
1,000 in  
the city.

Uhm...

0.01%,  
was it,  
Sawazaki  
?

But the devil  
register...  
What exactly  
is the devil  
population to  
start with?

*That  
can't be  
a coinci-  
dence.*

*yet five  
have been  
killed by  
the same  
method in  
the last  
two weeks.*

*Only  
one in  
10,000  
is a  
devil,*

*0.01%  
of the  
popula-  
tion.*

*Get your  
mind out  
of the  
gutter!!*

*Quit  
fighting  
!!*

*GRAAH*

*H  
A  
H  
A  
H  
A*





Stop it,  
Mommy.

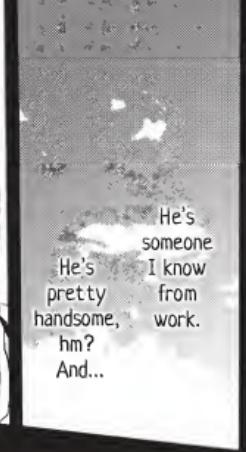
Vampires  
are  
creepy.

We  
don't  
need  
him...

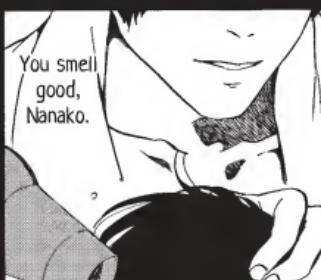
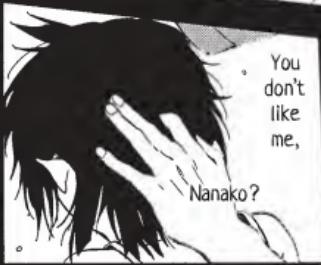
I don't  
want a  
vampire  
for a  
dad!  
No!  
You  
already  
have me,  
Mommy!

I  
really  
like  
him.  
Don't  
say that,  
Nanako.





Nanako,  
this is  
~~Z~~





Aim for  
the head,  
Nanako.



Survival  
of the  
fittest.

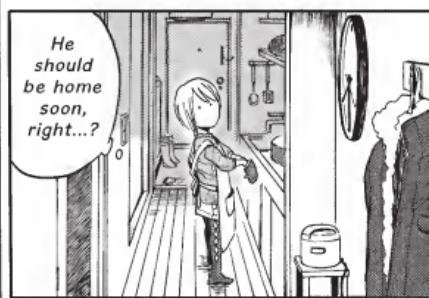
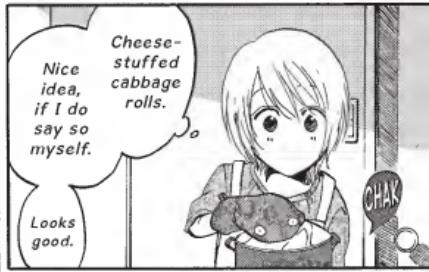
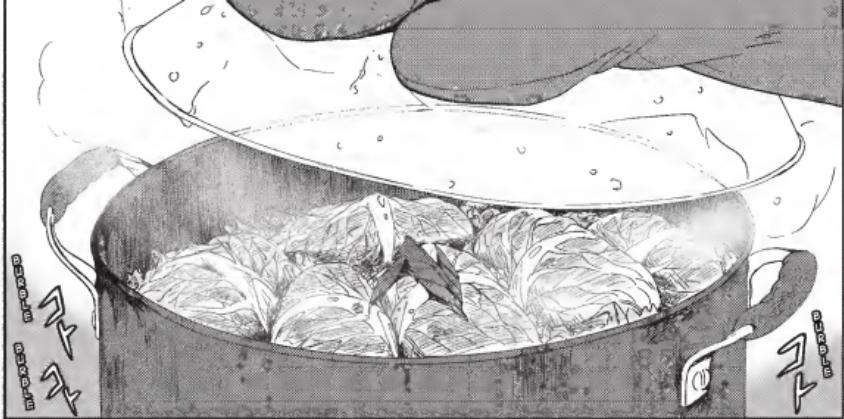


This  
is a  
hunt.





Devils  
won't die  
unless  
you shoot  
them in  
the head.











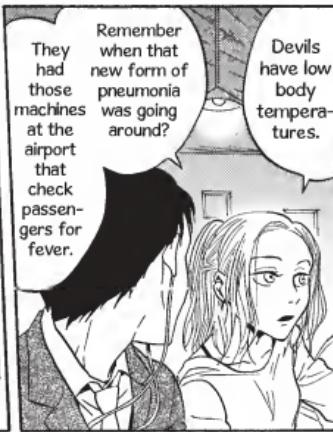
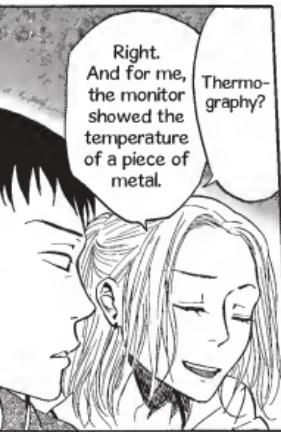




BANG

Huh?









Toshiro Sakaki

The owner of Bar Sakaki, he also manages a real estate business in the same building. He runs the bar for fun, so he closes up whenever he pleases, and uses it to entertain Anzai and the others. His mother is American, his father is Japanese. He came up with the nickname Sat using the first letters of his name, but it was easily confused with the SAT so it was mixed.



*It's  
hot.*



*Why?*

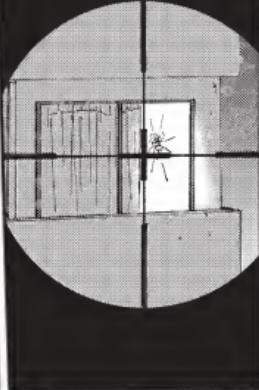




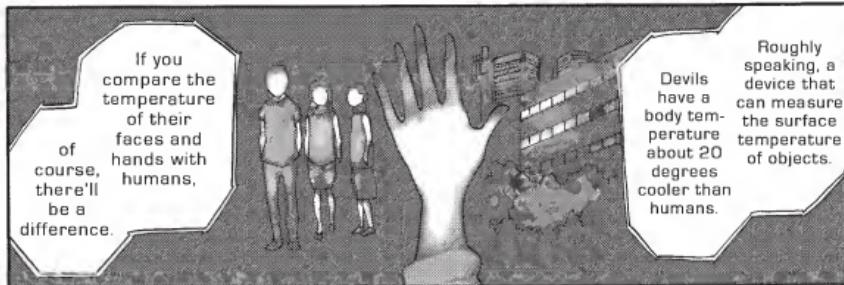
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Monster







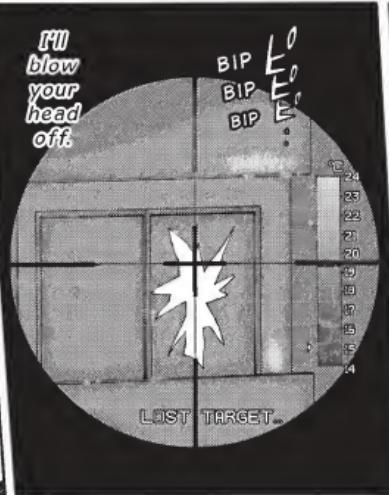


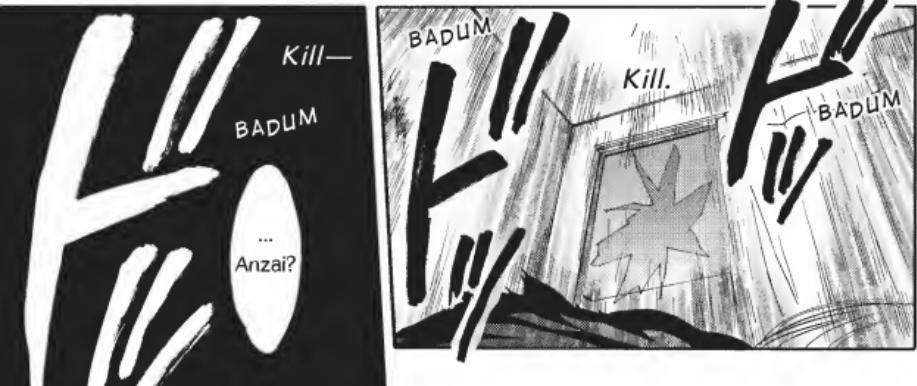
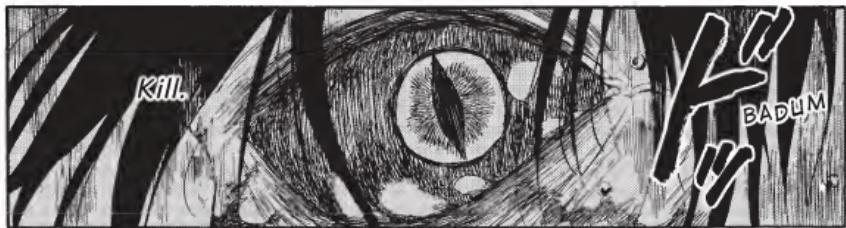
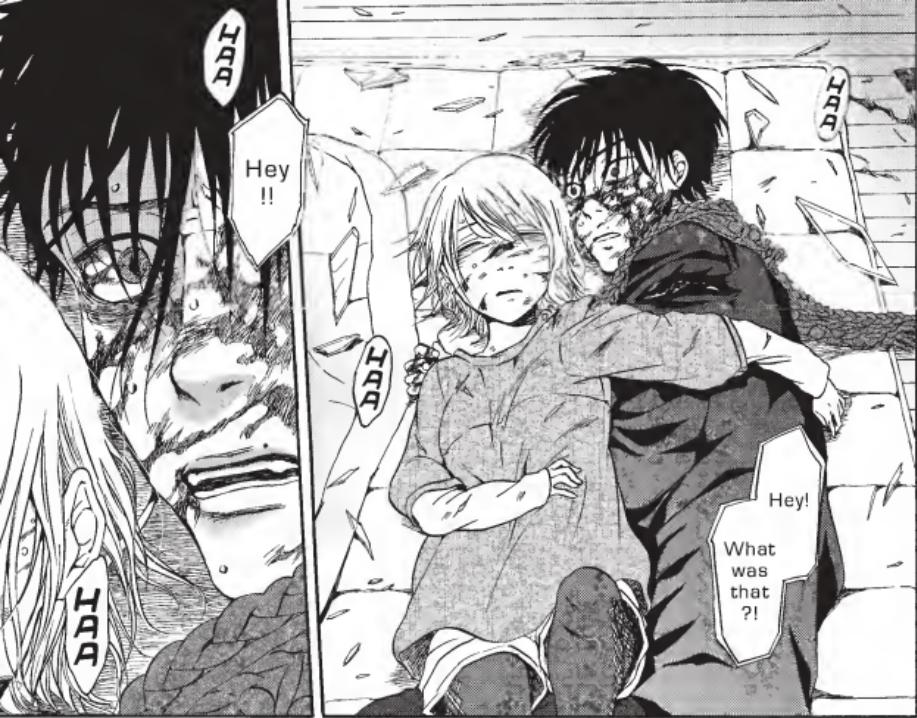


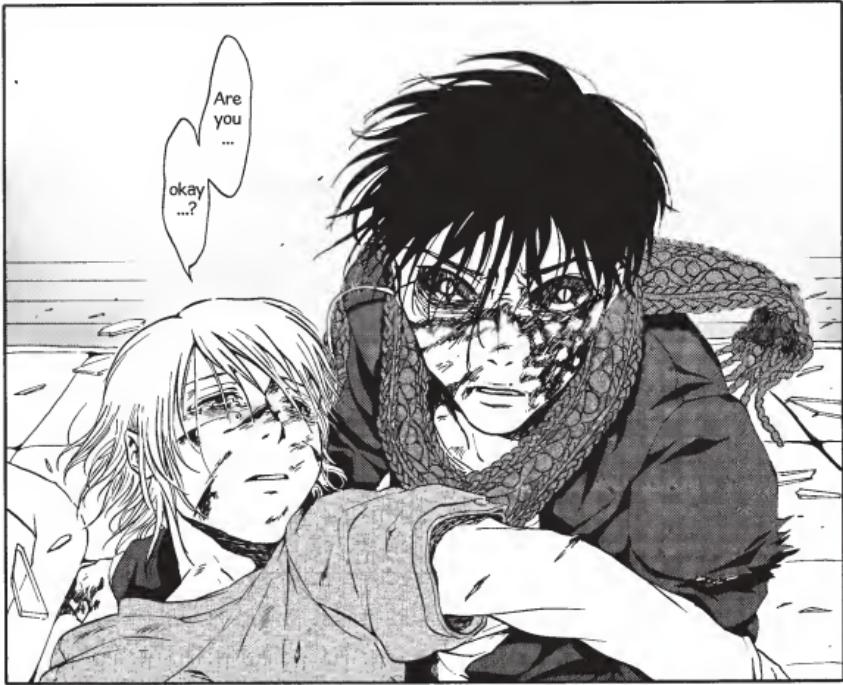


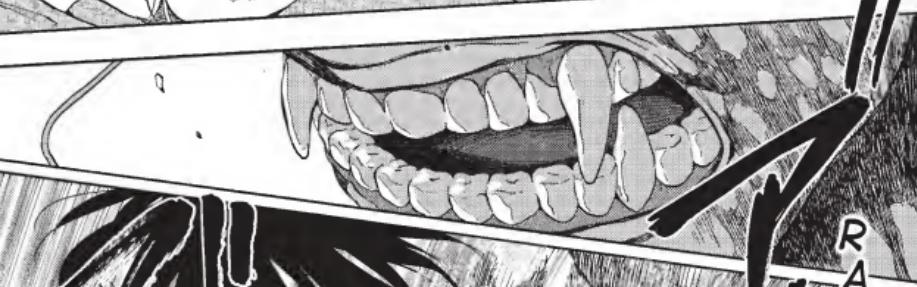


What did you do?



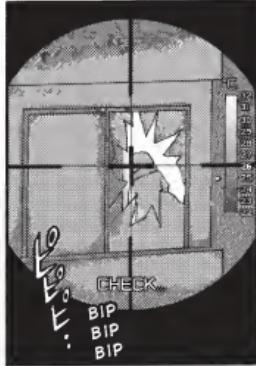






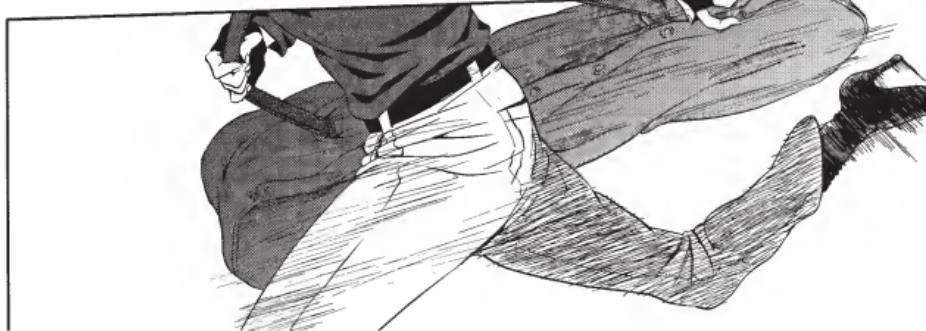


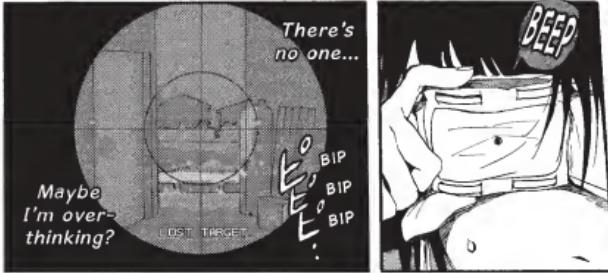
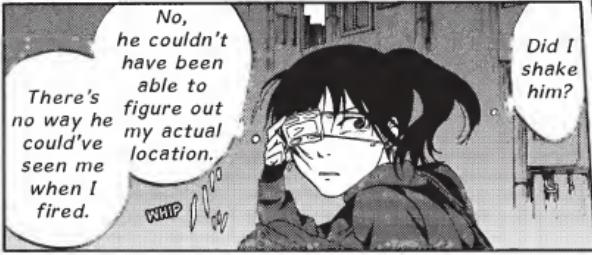
*I like  
you.*













Don't  
touch me,  
you  
monster!



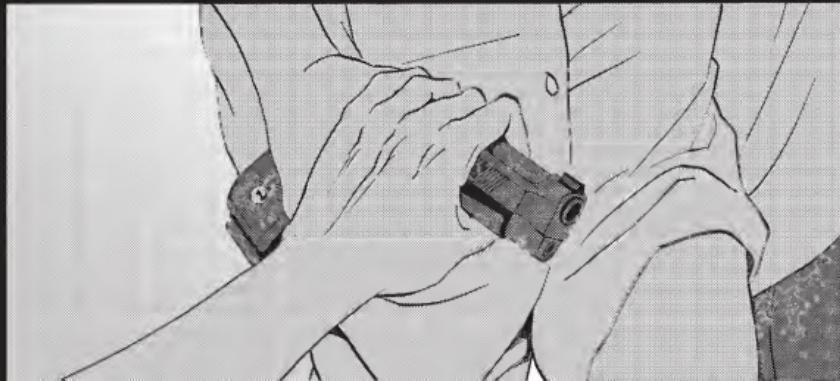






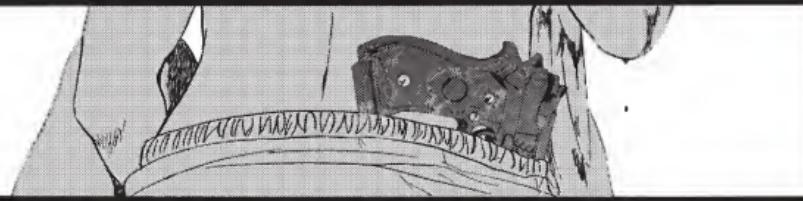


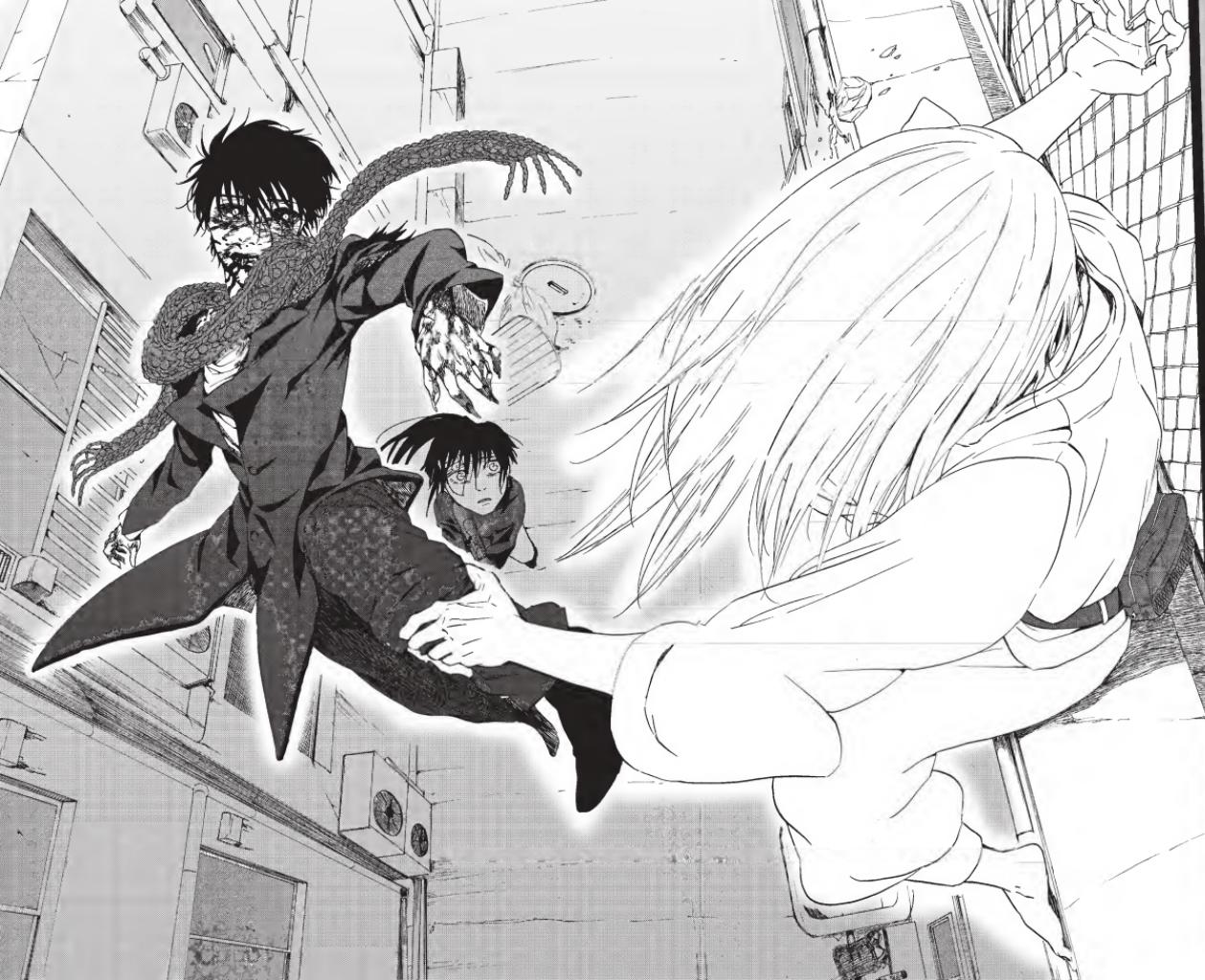












hate  
all of  
you.









Nothing  
works  
like  
human  
blood,  
after  
all.

BADUMM



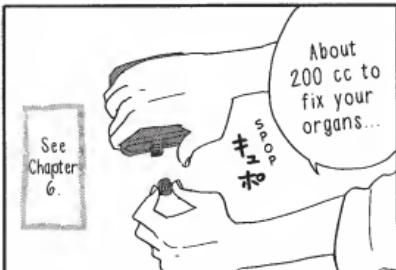
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FAIRLY DIFFICULT



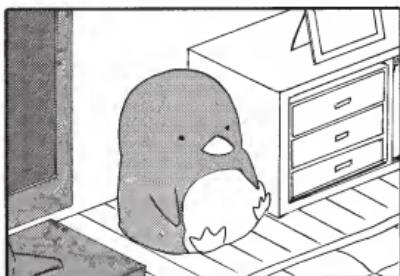
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IT'S YOU, ISN'T IT?



CAN'T TAKE IT OFF





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